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John Greame Houston, et al	§	
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FILED: Herewith	§	
	§	EXAMINER: Unknown
TITLE: <b>BLOOD-FLOW TUBING</b>	§	

DECLARATION

As below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name,  
I believe I am the original, first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for  
which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **BLOOD FLOW TUBING**, the specification  
of which

[ ] is attached hereto  
[x] was filed on 12/23/99, as Application No. PCT/GB99/04449 and for which a preliminary  
amendment was filed in the USPTO on herewith .

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified  
specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of  
this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (a)-(d)  
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America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or  
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Prior Foreign Application(s)

			<u>Priority Claimed</u>
9828696.6	Great Britain	28 December 1998	[X] Yes [ ] No
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**23 December 1999**

(PCT Filing Date)

**PCT/GB99/04449**

(PCT Application No.)

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, **John Graeme Houston**, a citizen of **Great Britain** and a resident of **Bishops House, Fairmount Road, Perth, Tayside, Scotland, PH2 7AW, GB** and **John Bruce Cameron Dick**, a citizen of **Great Britain** and a resident of **Westmill by Kinnaird, Perth, Tayside, Scotland, PH14 9QT, GB** and **Peter Stonebridge**, a citizen of **Great Britain** and a resident of **7 Glebe Terrace, Perth, Tayside, Scotland, PH2 7AG, GB** have made an invention in:

### **BLOOD FLOW TUBING**

for which we have executed an application for United States Letters Patent on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of **JUNE**, 2001; respectively.

WHEREAS, we represent and warrant that we are the owners of said invention and application for Letters Patent;

WHEREAS, **Tayside University Hospitals NHS Trust**, a **British** corporation, having its principal office at **Ninewells Hospital & Medical School, Dundee, Tayside, Scotland, DD1 9SY, GB**, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring the same;

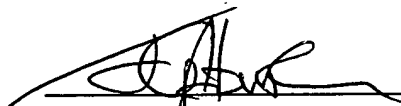
NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by us, we have assigned, sold, transferred and set over and by these presents do assign, sell, transfer and set over unto said ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to (a) said invention and world-wide rights therein, (b) said applications, including all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part and substitutions thereof, and (c) all United States and foreign patents which shall issue on said invention, including all reissues, renewals and extensions thereof, for the United States, its territories and possessions and all foreign countries, including the right to file applications for Letters Patent on said invention in any and all foreign countries, the same to be held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE, its assigns and successors, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us, had this assignment and sale not been made.

We covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon the request and at the expense of

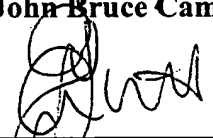
said ASSIGNEE, execute and deliver any and all papers and do all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable, in the opinion of said ASSIGNEE, to enable and assist said ASSIGNEE to (a) obtain Letters Patent, both domestic and foreign, on said invention, (b) establish, maintain and secure title in said ASSIGNEE, its successors, and assigns, to said invention, applications and Letters Patent, including making such title of lawful public record, and (c) defend, establish or otherwise preserve the validity of said Letters Patent against any and all infringers, and perform such other acts as are necessary to give full force and effect to this assignment.

We hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America to issue all Letters Patent based on said applications and all said divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues, renewals and extensions to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have duly executed this assignment this 18<sup>th</sup> day of JUNE, 2001 respectively.

  
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**John Graeme HOUSTON**

  
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**John Bruce Cameron DICK**

  
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**Peter STONEBRIDGE**